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Confirmation PSZEMQ

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Subject: Car seat

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Subject: Molly's statementFw: Monday

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To: Governor Sarah Palin

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That is correct!

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Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2008 9:51 AM

To: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); 'gov.palin@yahoo.com'

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Subject: RE: Summary of Gov sponsored or approved DPS capital budget projects

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Please let me know if I understand this correctly.

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DPS' share of the goal of a $20 million reduction in operating costs ended up around $2.5 million.

Is the best way to explain this that we expect all our commissioners to be fiscally responsible and actively manage their departments for savings. The goal was set to provide some direction to commissioners and motivate them as to what we hoped they could accomplish in managing their budget over the next 12 month budget period for FY 2009.

Other commissioners are trying to manage their budgets in a more fiscally responsible manner to try and reach the target, DPS is an agency that we also wanted to try and manage their budget to find out what they can achieve.

Basically, commissioners were challenged to work harder on their budgets and find savings where they could and meet their targets. I don't think the intent was to make agencies take drastic steps to achieve their targets that would hurt the mission of the department.

Randy

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Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2008 9:32 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); 'kellyc@acsalaska.net'; 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Hawker

Governor,

Hawker contacted our office and we kindly let him know that this was a personnel issue and we did not have any additional info. This was discussed with Nizich as well.

If we do decide to tell Legislators more now we should proably bring in Talis for legal guidance.

Kelly

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kel Goode <kellyc@acsalaska.net>; Goode, Kelly C (GOV); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Fri Jul 18 21:08:03 2008

Subject: Hawker

Who talked to Hawker and told him that we would not answer his questions about walt? His quotes on the news were brutal.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

Unknown

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2008 3:15 PM
To: Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Wooten

As Meg said, we need more, not less, info given to public:

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From: "Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)" <meghan.stapleton@alaska.gov>
Date: Sat, 19 Jul 2008 13:27:30 -0800
To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
Subject: RE: Wooten

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I just had coffee with Barbara Gruenstein, the city clerk, who is a dear friend of mine. She said you really should do whatever you can to talk about this since you have been buried with so many accusations. But she also does understand the restrictions that you have.

Please let me know if I can help.

Meg

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sat 7/19/2008 11:59 AM
To: Stapleton, Meghan N (DNR)
Subject: Fw: Wooten

------Original Message------
From: Molly
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Jul 19, 2008 11:58 AM
Subject: Wooten

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2008 4:15 PM
To: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); ftb907@yahoo.com; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Fw: PR 08-123 Governor Announces New Direction for DPS and Budget Summary 071908

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To: Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV); Burkert, Erin (GOV sponsored)

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Sent: Sat Jul 19 15:59:04 2008

Subject: PR 08-123 Governor Announces New Direction for DPS and Budget Summary 071908

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE No. 08-123

Governor Announces New Direction for Department of Public Safety

July 19, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin and Public Safety Commissioner Chuck Kopp today outlined a new direction for the Department of Public Safety. The Governor has directed Commissioner Kopp to focus on working cooperatively with state agencies, the military and other entities to expand the pool of applicants to fill vacant trooper positions and formulate an action plan to deal with rural crime issues.

"I am committed to bringing a balanced managerial and leadership perspective to the Department of Public Safety," said Kopp. "I will help form and then carry out the policy set forth by the Office of the Governor and meet the mission and needs of the department."

Highlights of the plan include:

- Efficiently using trooper resources and filling vacancies. One example is to reclassify existing open trooper job positions to job classes (Court Services and investigative support positions) that are more easily filled, allowing troopers to carrying out a full range of public safety services.

* Comprehensively review the issues of alcohol and drug abuse and crime, particularly in rural Alaska. Additionally, consider adding manpower for alcohol and drug interdiction efforts.

* Cooperatively work with state and federal agencies and other entities as part of a multi-agency effort that focuses on outreach, education, treatment and prevention, and law enforcement as part of an answer to alcohol and drug abuse prevention problems in rural Alaska.

* Establish strong lateral communications between departments to accomplish the mission of each department and to assist those agencies in meeting their missions.

* Establish a recruiting effort focusing on returning National Guard troops and other military service members, VPSO's and Alaska Natives.

* Increase training for troopers and VPSO's.

* Propose legislation that will slow the flow of alcohol to rural Alaska, particularly communities that have voted to restrict alcohol. One example would be reducing the amount of alcohol that can be shipped by written orders into rural Alaska.

"I have high expectations and confidence in Commissioner Kopp's ability to lead the department in this new direction," Governor Palin said. "His willingness to think outside the box and find new ways to work cooperatively with state agencies will improve the public safety of all Alaskans."

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A written statement would be good. On my way in.

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Distractions- AMEN!

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Sent: Sat Jul 19 21:02:38 2008

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Maybe by the glacier so there's major distractions?!

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 19 Jul 2008 21:02:21 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

CC: Mason, Janice L (GOV)<janice.mason@alaska.gov>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

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Governor-

I know this is the last thing you want to think about this weekend. But the Wall Street Journal photo folks were wondering if they could snap a few pictures of you running on Tuesday afternoon or early evening in Juneau. Please let me know - they would like to fly

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From: Ivy Frye [ivyfrye@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2008 5:08 PM
To: Sarah Palin; Todd Palin; Kris Perry; Frank Bailey; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: News covg

News was good tonight. They talked about the new direction of the dept, annette having no idead what monegan was talking about, frank's disappointment in walt and that he was aware of the threats of wooten, and molly's statement that she had to call 911 last wk and wooten's threat the family was going down. By the way, the press release was great. It infers everything that wasn't being done under the previous commissioner.

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